

Weekend Wildlife Safari Tours from Pune: Best Parks & Tips for 2025/2026



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Best Parks & Tips

Plan Your Weekend Safari Now!

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Explore the Wild – Just a Few Hours from Pune

Living in Pune has its perks — and one of them is easy access to some of India's richest wildlife reserves. Whether you're a photographer, nature lover, or weekend adventurer, **wildlife safari tours from Pune in 2025/2026** offer a thrilling escape into nature without needing extensive travel.

From tiger sightings to birdwatching, these [weekend safari trips from Pune](#) are perfect for rejuvenating your soul and upgrading your [wildlife photography](#) game.

Why Choose a Wildlife Safari Near Pune?

-  Convenient weekend getaways (within 4–8 hours by road/train)
-  Excellent chances of spotting tigers, leopards, and sloth bears
-  Diverse landscapes: dry deciduous forests, wetlands, grasslands

- 📷 Ideal for beginners and seasoned photographers alike
 - 🏠 Affordable stay options, plus luxury eco-lodges available
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🐅 Top National Parks & Tiger Reserves Near Pune

1. [Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve](#) (Maharashtra)

- 🕒 Travel Time: ~9 hours
 - 🐅 Why Go: One of the **best tiger safaris near Pune**, with high sighting chances
 - 🏠 Stay: Eco-resorts like Waghoba Lodge or budget forest rest houses
 - 📷 Tip: Book early morning safari for best light and tiger activity
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2. Pench National Park (Madhya Pradesh Border)

- 🕒 Travel Time: ~10 hours
 - 🌳 Why Go: Inspiration behind *The Jungle Book*, known for leopard and tiger sightings
 - 🏠 Stay: Tuli Tiger Corridor, Pench Jungle Camp
 - 📷 Tip: Great for family safaris and [beginner photographers](#)
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3. [Navegaon-Nagzira Tiger Reserve](#) (Maharashtra)

- 🕒 Travel Time: ~11 hours
- 🌿 Why Go: A quieter park, ideal for peaceful wildlife encounters
- 🐦 Bonus: Superb birding with over 160+ species

- 📷 Tip: Visit during post-monsoon for green landscapes and animal activity
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4. [Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary](#) (Maharashtra)

- 🕒 Travel Time: ~6 hours
 - 🌿 Why Go: Close to home, ideal for short 1N/2D weekend wildlife trips
 - 🦌 Sightings: Barking deer, leopards, sloth bears
 - 📷 Tip: Visit during winter for misty, [atmospheric photography](#)
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5. [Chandoli National Park](#) (Maharashtra)

- 🕒 Travel Time: ~6.5 hours
 - 🐘 Why Go: Offbeat safari spot with low tourist traffic
 - 🦅 Birding: Excellent raptor sightings during early mornings
 - 📷 Tip: Ideal for wide-angle and landscape wildlife shots
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What to Pack for Your Weekend Wildlife Safari

Item	Why You Need It
📷 DSLR/Camera + Telephoto	Essential for wildlife photography
👕 Earth-toned clothing	Helps blend into the forest
🧢 Cap/Sunglasses	Day safaris can get bright
🧴 Mosquito Repellent	For forest zones in early mornings/evenings



Small Backpack

Carry ID, camera batteries, water, snacks, etc.



Tips for Planning the Perfect [Safari from Pune](#)

- 🗓️ **Travel Friday night**, return Sunday evening — perfect 2D/1N escape
 - 📅 Book safaris in advance on mahaecotourism.gov.in or through a trusted tour provider
 - 📷 Choose packages with a **naturalist guide** if you're into serious wildlife photography
 - ☁️ Avoid monsoon for tiger sightings; opt for **Oct–May**
 - 🛏️ Mix your trip with luxury stays or rustic forest cottages based on your budget
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Why The [Lens India](#)?

With years of experience curating [weekend wildlife safari](#) tours from Pune, The Lens India ensures:

- ✅ Hassle-free travel and stay arrangements
 - ✅ Guided safaris with local trackers and expert naturalists
 - ✅ Birding and [photography](#)-focused itineraries
 - ✅ Group or private departures for all experience levels
 - ✅ All-inclusive packages for 2025/2026
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Tigers, landscapes, and nature await—just a few hours from Pune.

 Limited weekend slots available for premium wildlife getaways.
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FAQ Section

1. Which are the closest [wildlife safaris](#) to Pune?

Tadoba, Pench, Koyna, Chandoli, and Nagzira are within 6–10 hours of Pune by road/train, making them ideal for weekend wildlife getaways.

2. Can I do a 2-day [safari trip](#) from Pune?

Yes, many travelers opt for 1N/2D trips—departing Friday night, doing 1–2 safaris, and returning Sunday night. It's best for Koyna and Chandoli.

3. When is the best time to go on a safari near Pune?

The ideal safari season is **October to May**, with **February–April** being peak tiger sighting months in most central Indian parks.

4. How do I book safari permits?

You can book through [The Lens India](#), or independently via mahaecotourism.gov.in for Maharashtra parks or forest.mponline.gov.in for MP reserves.

5. Are these safaris safe for families and kids?

Absolutely. Safari jeeps are regulated, and national parks follow strict safety protocols. It's a great learning experience for children too.

6. What is included in a [safari package](#)?

Typical packages include: stay, meals, 2–4 safaris, transfers, park permits, naturalist guide, and photography assistance (if requested).

7. What's the price range for weekend [safari tours from Pune](#)?

It depends on park and accommodation level. Budget trips can start from ₹8,000/person; luxury weekend safaris go up to ₹30,000–₹45,000/person.

8. Is photography support available in these tours?

Yes. The Lens India provides wildlife photo mentorship for enthusiasts—from beginners to pros—focusing on lighting, patience, and tracking.

9. Can I join solo or do I need a group?

Solo travelers are welcome. Shared group safaris or private packages can be arranged based on preference.

10. How do I join The Lens [India's safari tours](#)?

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